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FOREIGN NEWS.

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PRENCH ARCHBISHOP-CONSULAR CHANGE. The London cable letter to THE TRIBUNE says that it is the current belief that Sir Charles Dilke will soon enter the Cabinet. The Radical chagrin at their failure to secure a place for Sir Charles simultaneously with Lord Derby, is great. The latter's accession to the Cabinet is accepted as another pledge against a too energetic policy in Egypt. The latest information is that Dr. Benson will not accept the Archbishopric of Canterbury, although his doing so would please both parties in the Church. Herr Freigel, the German Consul-General in Constantinople, has been transferred to New-York. The French authorities are watching closely the debate on the tariff in

TOPICS IN THE BRITISH CAPITAL. [BY CABLE TO THE TRIBUNE.]

LONDON, Dec. 23.-It is the current belief in Whitehall that Sir Charles Dilke will yet be Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster with a seaf in the Cabinet. His friends say that the Queen, however she may resent Sir Charles Dilke's early attacks on the civil list, now rather likes him because of his courageous foreign policy. Nevertheless, the radical chagrin at the failure of their efforts to secure a place for Dilke simultaneously with Derby is deep. s Idom has there been so general and determined a demonstration in favor of one man as that made in Dilke's behalf by the advanced Liberal press throughout the country. His political opponents Dilke's abilities and services. They are not unwilling, perhaps, to add to Mr. Gladstone's embarrassments. My impression still is that Dilke is not in the Cabinet because Mr. Gladstene has not forgotten Dilke's demand for a seat in the Cabinet as a condition of his accepting the Chief Secretary ship for Ireland. This, Mr. Gladstone regarded as equivalent to a refusal of a dangerous post and an attempt at the reversal of the tradition according to which seats in the Calphot are offered, not bargained for-

LORD DERBY AND THE RADICALS. Lord Derby's accession to the Ministry is accepted at home and abroad as a fresh pledge against a too energetic policy in Egypt. The English Radicals continue to criticise Lord Derby's declarations against further concessions to the Irish demands, but the lapse of a week is sufficient to show that the appointment has strengthened the Ministry with the country generally. Mr. Chamberlain's speech in Ashton was obviously meant as a counterblast to Lord Derby's Manchester address, so far as concerns home topies. Chamberlain is now for the first time rising superior to that unwritten political code which prohibits one Cabinet Minister from assailing another. THE NEW ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY.

The appointment of the Bishop of Truro as Archbishop of Canterbury has been received with general satisfaction by all parties in the Church. The Ritualists approve because Dr. Benson's personal sympathies are with the High Church. Their opponents approve because his views of his administrative duties as Primate insure his being practically a Broad Churchman. Mr. Gladstone receives some applause for magnanimity in appointing a Tory, but Mr. Gladstone cares far mere for ecclesinstical than political orthodoxy. The latest information to-day makes Dr. Benson's acceptance, heretofore thought certain, doubtful.

SUPPRESSED EGYPTIAN DISPATCHES.

The quarrel about General Hamley's suppressed dispatch about the battle of Tel-el-Kehirthreatens to break out in a violent form. The Duke of Cambridge, dreading the disclosure of the jealousies and disputes which distracted the army in Egypt, is using every effort to appease the discontented generals with whom he is believed really to sympathize against Lord Wolseley.

JUSTICE HUDDLESTON AND THE BELT CASE.

Judicial prowastination is making the Belt case a scandal of the first magnitude. The Standard and The Daily News both protest in singularly plain terms against Mr. Justice Huddleston's conduct of the trial, likening the proceedings to a Westminster Hall Christmas pantomime. The News intimated that Mr. Justice Huddleston's loquacity is due to the presence of an aristocratic andience. His so-called summing-up lasted two days and will occupy two more after Christmas. Mr. Webster, counsel for the defendant, publicly accused Mr. Justice Huddleston in his own court of partiality to the plaintiff. Judge Huddleston defended himself from the bench. HISTORY OF AMERICAN LITERATURE.

A "History of American Literature" is published this week by John Nichol, professor of English literature in the University of Glasgow, the same who wrote the crude sketch in the Encyclopædia Britannica. This present large volume is friendly enough, well meaning and comprehensive, though devoted in great part to the last and present generation. But his method is unscientific and uncritical. His judgment is frequently dissigured by prejudice. He is often superficial and sometimes flippant,

BISHOP WILBERFORCE'S LIFE. The third volume of Bishop Wilberforce's Life

proves to be among the most amusing books of the season, on account of what The Times calls the biographer's "amazing indiscretion." CLOSING THE COPYRIGHT CONTROVERSY. The copyright controversy in The Athenaum comes to an end with several leiters from Mr. Murray

praising the Harpers' liberality in paying a thousand pounds for the early sheets of Livingstone's Journal, while Mr. Hardy applauds them for paying him more than had been agreed for a novel. Mr. Marston, though appealed to for a full statement of the Russell affair, contents himself with reiterating the complaints of my telegram, and offers no explanation whatever of the awkward facts already disclosed respecting his dealings with Mr. Russell.

HENRY JAMES'S DEATH.

The Athenaum has an appreciative notice of the death of Henry James, describing him as an able theologian, a finished writer, a master of a style of rare simplicity and beauty, and a unique thinker.

BOOKS WHICH BROUGHT FABULOUS PRICES. The Beckford sale was concluded to-day. The prices throughout have been exceedingly high, in some cases reaching a fabulous point, the Groliers and one Majoli bringing more than double their value

binding of the Franklin collection, bought by the American Government and now deposited in the British Museum. The Legation is occupied in checking the invoice of the collection, which is shortly to be shipped. Mr. Stevens affirms that there is enough unpublished material in manuscript to make six volumes, which he says will be more

valuable than any six of Sparks's edition. NOTES OF THE STAGE.

Tennyson's "Promise of May" has been played latterly to half-empty houses and was withdrawn last Saturday.

The Globe Theatre reopens to-night with a drama by Wills, in four acts, entitled "Jane Eyre," founded on the novel of that name.

The Langity-Labouchere quarrel attracts much attention, the society papers copying the details from the New-York journals, even The Times publishing telegrams to the effect that Mrs. Langiry's social position in America has been affected. People here censure the publicity given, holding that Mrs. Langury's private life has nothing to do with her

AGITATION IN IRELAND. LONDON, Dec. 23.-Mr. Davitt, in his speech at Bermondsey last night, said he made his recent speech at Navan because it was necessary to remind the Government that it must save the people from famine. He did not preach violence or crime. He relied solely on the moral dynamite of ideas, in which there was sufficient strength to crush land-

Sligo, Dec. 23.-McDermott, a well-known Nationalist and an ex-suspect, has been remanded for a week on a charge of using seditious language at a meeting of the National League. The prisoner durjoined in it, paying a deserved tribute to Sir Charles ing a speech at the meeting said the gallows were mg a speech at the meeting said the gallows were recking with the blood of innocent people condenned by drunken juries and partisan Judges.

Duatin, Dec. 23.—The Government has determined to prosecute Mr. O'Brien, Editor of The United Ireland, for seditions libel uttered in an article entitled "Accusing Spirits," which was published in that journal.

At 6 o'clock this evening two detectives entered the office of The United Ireland and posted a notice directing that, as this week's issue of the paper contained matter inciting to acis of violence and intimidation, alt the copies thereof be seized. In consequence of this order the police throughout the city and country have been engaged all the evening in seizing copies of the paper.

PROFESSOR PALMER'S MURDERERS.

LONDON, Dec. 23 .- A telegram received at the Admiralty Office from Sucz says: Shedide reports from the Desert that he has captuaed Ah Showeyer and Sallmabu, the former of whom shot Professor Palmer. Colonel Warren has gone to Nackl to examme the prisoners. He thinks Shedide will eventually secure the remainder of the murder rs of Professor Palmer's party. Shedide has taken possession of all the water-ways, but the rains have emplied the necessities of the Bedouins, and enabled them to show fight from the mountains. The Sheishs of Jerebin have undertaken to assist in capturing all the persons implicated in the marders.

A BRITISH NOTE TO THE POWERS.

LONDON, Dec. 23 .- A dispatch to The Times from Paris says that England proposes to send a note to the Powers, including France, explaining what she intends doing for the reorganization of Egypt. England deended to send the note because it was evident that M. Duclerc, President of the French Council, influenced by considerations connected with the maintenance of his position, would not otherwise either come to an agreement with England or break oft negotiations. The correspondent adds that the great majority of the Powers would be willing to assent to a British protectorate over

ENGLISH SPORTING MATTERS.

LONDON, Dec. 23 .- The sculling match between Bubear and Godwin for £100 a side took place today over the Thames Championship Course, from Putney to Mortlake, and was won easily by Bubear.

The Sportsman says Mr. Keene's Foxhall has been withdrawn from the private sale list and will be trained again. It says it is doubted if Mr. Keene's Don Fulano and Bookmaker will stand training.

AN APPEAL IN THE PELTZER CASE. LONDON, Dec. 23 .- The Times's correspondent at Brus els says the Peltzer brothers, who were senteneed to death yesterday for the murder of M. Bernays, are certain not to be put to death, as death sentences in Belgium are always commuted. The Peltzers will appeal against the verdict on the ground of informality in tue form of procedure.

THE AMERICAN TARIFF AND FRANCE. PARIS, Dec. 23 .- The committee for the promotion of a treaty of commerce between France and the United States held a meeting to-day. A communication was read stating that according to the latest ews the American Government and Congress were disposed to effect considerable reductions in the customs tariff. The committee, in consequence of this information, decided to make representations to the French Government next week, urging it to carefully watch the interests of French commerce during the discussions in Washington on the tariff

FRENCH TROOPS FOR TONQUIN.

PAIRS, Dec. 23 .- At a meeting of the Council to day President Grévy presided. The expedition to Tonquin was discu-sed, and it was decided that the details should be brought forward in the Chamber on the opening of the session in January, when they will be definitely settled. In the meantime reinforcements will be sent to strengthen the position of the commander at Ha-Noi.

FORTY-FIVE SOCIALISTS CONVICTED. PRAGUE, Dec. 23 .- The great trial of fifty Socialsts, which was began here on December 4, has ended. One of the prisoners, a disciple of Herr Most, was sentenced to two years' imprisonment. Forty-four of them were sentenced to prison for terms varying from six mouths to a fortnight. The remaining five were acquirted.

GERMANY, AUSTRIA AND ITALY.

VIENNA, Dec. 23 .- The semi-official Fremdenblatt says the statement that Germany and Austria have shown coolness toward Italy is untrue. At present there is more cordiality between the three countries than there has been for some years. In all questions affecting the interests of Europe, there has been a confidential exchange of views to obtain harmonious

THE NEW-YORK GERMAN CONSUL-GENERAL BERLIN, Dec. 23 .- Herr Feigel, the German Con sul-General at Constantinople, has been transferred to the Consul-Generalship at New-York.

SENOR CASTELAR'S REPUBLICANISM. Madrid, Dec. 23 .- In the Chamber of Deputies to-day Senor Castelar declared that the object of Marshal Serrano in forming the Dynastic Left was to cause a split in the Liberal party. Senor Castelar announced his intention to carry on Republican propaganda from the tribune and from the university chair and with the pen. He insisted that National sovereignty should be inscribed in the Constitution, and he implored his friends not to despair of triumphing by peaceable means.

THE MEXICAN BANKING LAW.

CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 23 .- The banking law prepared by the President by authority of Congress is copied from the American law, with the exception that instead of Government bonds being deposited in the National treasury as security, the bonds of railroads being constructed in Mexiso, which have paid isterest for last year will be used. The banks conforming to this law will only pay the stamp-tax. The other taxes will be levied on banks not conforming thereto.

NOTES FROM CANADA. HALIFAX, N. S., Dec. 23 .- The Allan line books were bought by France. Henry of the past twelve months without apparent injury, has law alian Reciprocity Treaty.

wreck. During the gale of Friday she broke in two

about amidships, her steem disappearing in deep water. The remainder of the ship is exposed to the sea and will probably break up during the next gale. Her foremast is still standing.

The schooner Adria was seized at Annapolis on Thursday last for a violation of the customs faws. These hoomer Gold Hunter has been seized at Clement's Point for a similar offence. MONTREAL, Dec. 23.—The committee of citizens ap-

pointed to make arrangements for the British Association meeting here has received news from England that the meeting will be held, as at first intended, in Mon-treal.

FOREIGN NOTES.

London, Saturday, Dec. 14, 1882.

The Osservator Romano, says Monsigner Vannutelli, has been appointed Papal Inter-Nuncio to Brazil. The French Senate to-day passed a bill creating a

corps of mixed troops for Tunis. The Pope has assigned 12,000 france to purchase beds for the poor of Rome.

The examination of the papers found in Prince

Krapotkine's residence reveals ugly facts. They con-cern even a relative of the Czar. The statement that M. Feraud, French Consul-General at Tripoli, has been appointed Consui at Cairo, is semi-officially denied.

A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company from

Cents, says that the Cuban refugee, Macco, who was surrendered by the British authorities at Gibraliar to Syain, is ill. He is not allowed a private doctor. The Bishop of Metz has declined to accept the decora-tion of the Iron Crown accorded him by the Emperor of ermany because he wishes to keep aloof from all poli-

The Queen, Princess Beatrice, and the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh, visited the Haslar Naval Hospital at Portsmouth to-day and conferred decorations on a number of convalescent patients who took part in the late war in Egypt. Relative to the offer by the Empress Eugenie of the

Chateau Pharo to the town of Marseilles, the municipality have appointed a committee to decide whether panny have appointed a committee to decide whether they can accept it, or whether they shall carry the ap-peal to the case further.

The London correspondent of The Manchester Guar-dian says it is believed that the appointment of Sir Class. Duke, as Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, will be suppopulsed at the said of the New York. They would have

announced at the end of the year. Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice, it says, will succeed him as Under Foreign Secretary. A dispatch to Reuter's Telegram Company from Paris says the report that M. Gambetta has had a relapse is unfounded. His friends state that he remains in bed

only by way of precaution, as he still suffers from slight irritation of the bowels. It is expected that the Khedive's decree degrading the robel pachas will be assired to-morrow. Its promul-gation will be made in front of the Kasr el-Nik Barrachs, after which the prisoners will depart immediately under

MEETING OF CREDITORS CALLED.

ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 23 .- Thomas Fearey & meeting of creditors for Wednesday. Bills had been paid up to within a few days. About two months ago the firm turned the business into a stock company, known as The Fearey Manufacturing Company, incorporated with a capital stock of \$250,000. The factory and other business premises were placed at a valuation of \$98,500, subject to mortgages of \$38,000. Several of of \$98,000, singlect to mortgages of \$38,000. Several of the New York City creatfors were requested to take stock in the company to cover the amount of their claims, which they did. The indebtedness of the late firm of Thomas Fearey & Sons was expected to be puid from the proceeds of stock received from the manufac-turing company, but persons who promised to buy the stock falles to take it, whereupon a meeting of creditors was decided upon.

THIEVES AT WORK IN NEW JERSEY.

Plainfield, N. J., Dec. 23.-Thieves, supposed to be from New-York, are operating in this part of New-Jersey. A few nights aco they entered six different houses in Dunellen, three miles hence, and although discovered by Postmaster C. S. Pope in the act of cleaning out the pockets of his clothing at his bedside, they got away safely with \$50 of Mr. Pope's money and his watch and chain, a valuable gold watch and chain belonging to and chain, a valuable gold watch and chain belonging to George Thomas, and a quantity of silver-ware and other property from the different houses they visited. Last night burelars broke into three residences in Platinicia and stole a large amount of silver-ware, leaving in an outbouse, where they divided the plunder, all the plated-ware. Seven hundred dollars were also stolen on Thurshay evening from the trunk of a concluman in the neighborhood of the three houses robbed last night.

Boston, Dec. 23 .- A dispatch from Washngton states that Controller Knox says that that there against the directors of the Pacific Bank. The most that can be done is to bring civil suits in damages, and it is not clear whether those will ile. It had been hoped that this law point would have been settled in the case of the Newark Bank, but the directors paid up before the suits were prosecuted to a conclusion. It is probable that civil suits will be brought against the Pacific Bank directors, as they will be against the Buffalo Bank which has just failed. The Controller scarcely sees what point is to be gained by attacking Needham.

TENNEL HEADINGS COME TOGETHER.

IBY TELEGRAPH TO THE TELECNE. KINGSTON, N. Y., Dec. 23 .- The two headings of the Kingston Tunnel, on the West Shore Ruliway, came together this morning, and Assistant Engineer E. C. F. Stetson, who has been mainly in charge of the work, was the first person to pass through the bore There was great jollification among the men. The tun-nel is 410 feet long, and is at the entrance to the city from the south, the road entering the tunnel imme-diately on leaving the bridge over the Rondout Creek. The tunnel will be completed in about a menth, at a to-tal cost of \$50.000. al cost of \$50,000.

RAILWAY ACCIDENTS.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 23 .- This morning eight cars of a freight train on the East Tennessee, Virginia and Georgia Haliroad ran off a trestle at Sency, near Kock-mart. J. D. Bishop, a brakeman, was killed and Conduc-tor Ayers had a leg broken.

LANCASTER, Penn., Dec. 23.-Two East-bound freight trains on the Pennsylvania Railroad came into collision near Rohrerstown last night. The caboose and seven cars of the forward train were thrown from the track and badly damaged, and the engine of the rear train was wrecked. Jacob Van Naslin, engineer of the rear train, was slightly injured in jumping from his engine. Atchison, Kan., Dec. 23.-The east bound passenger train on the Missouri Pacific road from Omaha to this city met with a serious secident this afternoon. The rails spread and the entire train, except the locom-was thrown from the track. Passenger coaches overturned and several passengers were sev-bruised, but none were killed or seriously injured.

SUICIDE ON THE KNICKERBOCKER.

NEW-ORLEANS, Dec. 23 .- This morning when the steamship Knickerbocker, from New-York.was twenty-five miles below this city, Willam H. Clark, of New-Haven, Conn., a passenger, committed suicide by shooting himself through the heart with a pistol. He left a note addressed to the captain of the steamer re-questing idm to telegraph to his father, and to take pos-session of his effects. Clark became despondent two or three days ago and his mind seemed to have given way.

SUICIDE OF A GIRL.

READING, Penn., Dec. 23 .- It was learned this afternoon that Maggie Haggerty, aged fifteen, who died everal days ago and was buried yesterday, had committed suicide by taking rai poison; that after taking the poison she had told her friends of the fact; that she died in their presence, but that nothing was said until after her death.

THE FORD BROTHERS IN BOSTON. Boston, Dec. 23 .- The Ford Brothers, slay-

ers of Jesse James, applied at the office of the superin tendent of police this morning for permission to carry arms. They were informed that they needed no permis-sion to carry their weapons as long as they made no bad POISONED BY CANNED JELLY.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 23 .- A family of

six persons living at Fargo, D. T., have been po by eating canned jelly. One child, a boy, has died. The others will recover.

GAMBLING DEVICES PROTECTED. MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 23 .- In a test

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 23.-Charles Heyder, ease in the Municipal Court, Judge Cooley to-day decided that, under the statutes of Minnesota, the courts could not order the destruction of gambling devices. RECIPROCITY WITH HAWAIL.

A RUBBER FACTORY SHUTS DOWN. SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 20 .- The Post to-day

New-Haven, Conn., Dec. 23 .- In accordance publishes a number of interviews with members of leadwith an agreement of the rubber manufacturers, L. Can-

Stevens has completed the arranging and finally succumbed to the elements and is now a hopeless has completed the arranging on feduces the new probably solvention bought where the production bought where the production of the pr

AN INJUNCTION BY JUDGE VAN BRUNT. COMMISSIONER COLEMAN'S PROPOSED CONTRACT

ENJOINED. Judge Van Brunt granted an injunction in the Court of Common Pleas yesterday restraining William k, Grace, Allan Campbell and Thomas B. Asten, as members of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, from approving or delivering any certificate that the Board had approved the terms and conditions of the contract for the final disposition of the street sweepings, ashes and garbage prepared by Commissioner Coleman; the latter is also restrained as co-defendant from rewarding such contract. Thomas Kearns, who does business at Seventh-ave. and One-hundred-and-thirty-second-st., is the complainant. The order is returnable on December 28. The complaint recites that the complainant is a taxpayer, and it quotes from chapter 367 of the laws of 1881 the powers and duties of the Street Commissioner. It then states that on November 23 Messrs. Grace, Campbell, Asten and Coleman met in the Mayor's office, William Sauer, president of the Board of Aldermen, being absent, and without the latter's concurrence "collusively and wrongfully, and in fraud of the rights of the taxpayers of the city," agreed that Coleman should make contract for a special disposition of the street-sweepings, etc., and that Messrs.

and in irand of the rights of the taxpayers of the city," agreed that Coleman should make a contract for a special disposition of the street-sweepings, etc., and that Messrs. Grace, Campbell and Asten signed a certificate that the Board of Estimate and Apportionment had that day approved the terms and conditions of a special contract.

On December-8, 1882, the defendant Coleman, says the complaint, advertised that proposals would be received at the office of the Department of Street Cleaning until December 20, and such advertisements contain a clause that biank forms of the contract might be obtained on and after Tuesday December 7. As a matter of fact, Mr. Kearns declares further that he is informed and believes that such blank forms were not ready for delivery on that day, but that this statement was maleading, as December 7, 1882, did not fall on a Tuesday, and subsequently Coleman changed such date without any authority from the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, to Tuesday, December 12, 1882, at 12 celock, noon, when the forms could first be obtained. On December 13 the Board purported to amend the unlawful and void certificate of approvalfof November 23, by making the time for the commencement of the proposed special contract to be February 1, 1883, but this alloged amendatory certificate was not signed by the president of the Board of Aldermen. The following day Coleman attached to his advertisements motice that the time for receiving proposals was extended to December 26, 1882, and the date for beginning work to February 1, 1883, in lieu of January 1, as contained in the former advertisements, but without changing the date when the form of contract might be obtained from his department, which date had therefore expired.

The complainant then says that the members of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment should be restrained from approving the contract made by Commissioner Coleman, a copy of which is given. It is also state that the proposals for the contracts required to firm a contract in the compl

are contemplated by politicians at the next session of the Legislature. He said that the action of the three members of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment who were present at the meeting specified was perfectly legal, as due notice had been given to all the members, and three formed a quorum. "On this point," continued Mr. Coleman, "I have the opinion of Corporation Counsel Andrews. In regard to the date, 'Tuesday, December 7,' being changed to 'Iuesday, December 1,2,' the error in the former date was due to a clerical error by the clerk of the Board. The specifications were the same as appeared in The City Record and no one was kept in ignorance of them, but on the contrary even faller information as to the work to be done was given to any one that called at my office. The time for receiving bids was extended in order to give contractors longer time to bid. The Board of Aldermen have nothing to say as to the making of terms and specifications for contracts or removing the street dirt. I believe that it can be done considerably cheaper by a reliable contractor with patient dump sows than by the city. The Department has two tags and thatty scows, and has to employ a large force of men. This patrolage the politicians covet. The scows and tags belonging to the city could be auctioned off at certain times of the year at fair prices, and the city would be the gainer by letting the contractor do the work."

THE FITZGERALD FORGERY CASE.

CINCINNATTI, Dec. 23.—Colonel N. W. Fitzgerald, of Washington, recently arrested and charged with having forged a note in Keuton County, Ky., but whose extradition to that State was denied by Judge Carter, of Washington, voluntarily presented himself to the Kentucky authorities to day and was discharged, the person who made the affidavit for the arrest stating the person who made the amoravit of the arrest kinding that Fitzgerald was not the man who forged the note Fitzgerald states that his arrest was planned by one Pricchard, who was to have been tried at Greenville, Ohio on December 22, and against whom he was a material witness, the object being to prevent his attendance at the trial.

A PASTOR TO RESIGN.

Poughkeepsie, Dec. 23.-Roland Grant pastor of the Baptist Church, having been requested by the Board of Trustees and Deacons to resign, will tender his resignation from the pulpit of his church at the morning service to-morrow, addressing it to the congre-In their request to him to resign the trustees sax: "In our judgment your return to work with our church will be unwise, unfortunate and disastrous to the church and yourself." The main charges against him, as he alleges, include a lack of dignity as a minister, and refusal to respond to the calls of the sick and to those spiritually inclined, all of which he denies.

MR. WHITTIER NOT A PLAYWRIGHT.

Boston, Dec. 23.-John G. Whittier writes the following note in response to an inquiry as to the truth of a published rumor that a play from his pen was shortly to be produced; "Thy time will be lost in going in search of the 'drama' of the newspaper slip. I never knew of it before. It is a very foolish lie. The idea of a Quaker playwright is unspeakably absurd."

AFFAIRS AT LINCOLNTON, N. C.

RALEIGH, N. C. Dec. 23 .- Nothing further has been received from Lincolnton. Captain Hakes's com-pany was ordered to act with the Sheriff as a posse, and it is thought that the auticipated outbreak could not have occurred.

PASSING COUNTERFEIT MONEY.

Baltimore, Dec. 23.-Samuel E. Fair, Harry Matthews and George P. Smith were arrested in this city to-night for passing a counterfelt \$50 United States Treasury note and attempting to pass another. The counterfelts were secured and the young men locked up.

MISTAKING ARSENIC FOR WHISKEY,

a retired merchant of this city, to-day drank a large dos of arsenic in solution, which he mistook for whiskey, and died in a few hours.

REPORTED FAILURE OF L. VALENTINE.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.! NEWBURG, N. Y., Dec. 23.-Citizens of Cornwall in this city to-day report the failure of Lawson Valentine, owner of the famous Houghton farm, situated in the towns of Cornwall and Monroe, this county, and of some of the most valuable imported horses and cattle in America, and interested in the manufacture of Valentine's varnish. It is said his assignment was expected, and that a brother was placed at the head of the varnish concern some weeks ago, in anticipation of it. Mr. Valentine has been considered very wealthy, and his liabilities are, therefore, supposed to be very large. The Habilities are, therefore, supposed to be very large. The Houghton farm, which is on the Newburg and New-York Short Cut Railroad, comprises hundreds of acres and is a model farm. It has been largely devoted to experimental agriculture by scientists, and it cost about \$35,000 a year to run it, which was much more than it returned. About it there seems to be a fatality, as in the past thirty years the half dozen or more owners have mot with misfortune. Among them was Robert H. Berdell, ex-president of the Eric Railroad Cempany.

CHARLES E. UPTON ARRESTED

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 23.-Charles E. Upton, president of the suspended City Bank, was arrested this afternoon upon a warrant procured by the directors of the bank, charging him with grand larceny in the first degree in embezzling and converting to his own use the funds of the bank to the amount of more than \$200,000. He was arrested at his house and at once taken before the Police Justice, where he waived exammation and was held to appear before the next Grand Jery, which meets on January 1. He was subsequently taken before County Judge W. C. Rawiey, and was ad-mitted to ball in the sum of \$20,000. If is wife, H. P. Warner and William S. Rider became his bondsmen.

A BARK ATTACHED.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.-Upon a libel obtained by William Cramp & Sons the Italian bark Filippi Padre, Costa, master, was this morning attached by United States Marshal Kerns for breach of contract. The vessel was lately nearly destroyed by fire and the Cramps took the contract for repairing her. The owners of the vessel have failed to pay the shipbuilders for their labor and the seizure of the craft has been the result. Damages are sipulated at \$3,300.

TERESA STURLA SENTENCED.

CHICAGO, Dec. 23 .- The motion for a new trial in the murder case of Teresa Sturla was not pressed this morning, and the prisoner received her sentence of one year in the penitentiary. She made a short speech, explaining why she accepted the sentence and attacking the juriors who stood out for conviction. She compli-mented her counsel, and showed no evidence of in-sunty. She talked garly after the sentence was pronounced, and promises to go on the stage when it expires.

MISSOURI STATE BONDS.

St. Louis, Dec. 23 .- A dispatch from Jefferson City says that the State Fund Commissioners have decided to defer payment of the January interest on certain Missouri bonds on which there are no coupons representing this interest, and the matter will be referred to the Legis-tature.

A YOUTH KILLS THREE MEN.

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 23 .- To-day at Covingon, this State, William Smith, age eighteen, snot and killen James Banks and Alexander Hendricks. He subsequently shot and killed a negro who attempted to arrest him. Smith is in jail, Intense excitement ex-ists. Whiskey led to the murders.

NEW-ORLEANS CONSOLIDATED BONDS.

the Civil District Court, yesterday rendered a decision ordering the City Council to levy and collect annually a tax of \$600,000, to pay interest on and provide for a studing fund for the redemption of consolidated bonds.

RRAVERY REWARDED. PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 23 .- Christian Timman, who rescued two girls on the occasion of the Cal-endar building fire, was called to the Mayor's office to

MULDOON DEFEATS BAUER.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 23 .- In the Graco-Roman wrestling match at the coliseom to-night, William Maltainly has no foundation. doon got a fall in the second round. He threw r in the first, third and fourth rounds. lasted respectively twenty-five sixteen, six and three

THROWN FROM A WAGON AND CRUSHED.

Springfield, Mass., Dec. 23 .- Patrick Holon, forty years old, was thrown from a wagon loaded with lumber, at Northampton this afternoon, and, the lumber falling on him, he was crushed to death. The accident was caused by his horse taking fright. He leaves a wife and five children.

YARN MANUFACTURERS FAIL.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23 .- The failure of James Smyth & Co., manufacturers of yarns at Church and Oxford-sta, is announced. The failure is due to overproduction and a duil market. The Habilities are said to be heavy.

PLAISTED TO BECOME AN EDITOR,

LEWISTON, Me., Dec. 23.-Governor H. M. Plaisted has purchased a one-third interest in The Lew izion Gazette, and will become connected with that paper as soon as his executive term expires.

FRAGMENTS OF WESTERN NEWS.

A CONGREGATIONAL CLUB PROPOSED.
CHICAGO, Dec. 23.—Eight Congregationalists set here has evening and decided to send out invitaons to prominent members of the Congregational faith a this city, asking them to meet on January 5 to orantize a Congregational club on a permanent basis. The lab will be social in its character.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—An old man, supposed, by letters from prominent public men tound upon his body, to be Colonel D. C. Cox of Washington, formerly a well-known Ohio politician and a man who has held prominent official positions, walked into the river at the foot of Monroe-st. this morning and was drowned. He was intoxicated.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

A NEWSPAPER TO LOWER ITS PRICE.

BOSTON, Dec. 23.—the Transcript will reduce its price from 4 cents a copy to 3 cents after January I.

MALARIA AT HIGHLANDS, N. J.

HIGHLANDS, N. J., Dec. 23.—There are many cases of malarial fever here. A Board of Health has been organized, and all stagmant pools are to be drained.

ANNUAL MEETING OF A MINING COMPANY.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 23.—The four hannual meeting of the lowa Gulch Mining Company was held here to day. The receipts for the year were \$19,283 06, and the expenses \$19,283 85.

FATAL ACCIDENT IN A MINE.

SHENANDOAH, Penn., Dec. 23.—Martin Maley, age sixteen, a son of Squire Maley, was instantly killed to-day by being jammed between a car and the side of the "breast" in a mine.

EXETER, N. H., Dec. 23.—News has been received here that Erra Colcord, formerly a resident of this town, was found murdered in Georgia, and it is supposed that he was killed by colored rioters. LAYING A CORNER-STONE.

ATLANTIC HIGHLANDS, N. J., Dec. 23.—The corner stone of the First Methodist Episcopal Church was laid here this afternoon by the Rev. E. Hewett, Presiding Elder of the New-Brunswick District of the New-Jersey Annual Con-

ALBANY, Dec. 23.—The Evening Journal states ed-terially to-day on(thejauthority of Attorney-GeneralLesite W-tussell, that in no shape, manner or form is he retained by, or n behalf of Jay to-did in the Mutual Union Tolegraph case, r in any other litigation.

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SUPPORTING THE STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE.

ALBANY, Dec. 23.—1he Manhattan Railway Company of New-York has paid \$1,041.34 and A. D. Chambers, of New-York has paid \$1,041.34 and A. D. Chambers, the State Engineer's office.

DIPHTHERIA IN PHILADELPHIA.

PHILADELPHIA. Dec. 23.—The number of deaths from diphtheria reported at the health office for the week ending at noon to day was thirty, a decrease of tive as compared with the number reported last week. The new cases of the disease reported since Thursday number eighty-five.

QUOTATIONS NOT TO BE FURNISHED.

PITISHURG, Dec. 23.—In accordance with the action taken lately by the Cheage Board of Trade against "bucket shops," all stem places in this city have been informed by the Central District and Printing Telegraph Company that after January 1 quotations will not be furnished them.

TOPICS IN THREE CITIES. BOSTON-CHICAGO-SAN FRANCISCO.

BOSTON.

POLITICAL-FINANCIAL-PERSONAL. BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.

Boston, Dec. 23 .- Secretary Hoar's chance for re-election is looking a shade better, if anything. His active share in the important work of the Senate is telling in his favor, recalling the fact that he is a National figure of credit to the State, such as no new man in his place could hope to be for years to come. As it happens, the balloting cannot begin till January 15, so that there is time for this impression to deepen. As the Senator was elected over Mr. Boutwell by the refusal of his supporters to go into caucus, he is understood to reject his friend's purpose to make his election sure by means of the caucus. That's the kind of politician Mr. Hoar is, Another element is working in his favor. The old anti-Butler Democracy is not quite dead. Judge Abbott says the Democrats must not efface themselves by voting for Long, but must nominate and vote for a candidate of their own. Judge Abbott does not care to have the idea fixed in the mind of the National Democracy that there is only one Democrat in Massachusetts.

A like revolt against the one-man power is impending in municipal politics. The old-time Democracy will attempt to put a check upon the towering ambition of Whitmere, the Republican head of the Democratic City Committee, who warned the ex-Republican Mayor-elect in his offisial letter notifying to him his nomination, that he must put none but Democrats on guard. was all but defeated for the Common Council by the treachery of jealous Democrats, and a determined fight will be made against his domination in the Council and in the Mayor's office. These ungrateful Democrats are doing a rash thing in attempting thus to stamp out the brains of their organization.

The breezy incident of the week has been the meeting of the unfortunate stockholders of the Pacific National Band, wrecked last spring by the knavery of its president, A. L. Benyon, now in partsuuknown, and the lending of the funds of the bank to T. C. Weeks, a reckless and long-discredited stock-speculator. Weeks's counsel vainly attempted to throw the meeting off the track. Bank Examiner Needham and Receiver Best were handled very roughly in the speeches for valuing ass-ts at \$5,049,758 which were found to be good only for \$598,709, and for "subsequent misrepresentation, deception and unwarranted threat-ening to the stockholders." The poor stockholders have already been bled of two assessments of 100 per cent, and must send a third of equal amount. Their bitterness is not surprising. The public interest in their misfortunes is the precedent to be set in the prosecution of the directors, whom they propose to sue at law to recover the moneys lost by their wrong-doing. An association was formed for this purpose, and an assessment agreed to to pay expenses of counsel in the suit.

Dr. William Everett, the son of Edward Everett, and head of the Adams Academy, of Quincy, has given General Butler a taste of the boycotting in store for him, by publicly withdrawing from the Forefathers' Day celebration at Plymouth, where he had accepted an invitation to speak, because the Governor-elect was subsequently invited. Dr. Everett's independence has always been of the most pronounced and peppery sort on all occasions.

NEW-ORLEANS, Dec. 23.-Judge Righter, of The Boston Journal gave the public and even the newsdealers a genuine surprise this week by announcing a reduction of its price from three to two-cents and from \$9 to \$6 a year. To the rumored culargement of The Boston Herald, the popular two cent paper, to eight pages, is attributed the move of its chief rival for the country circulation in New-England.

> The reported plot of the Papyrus Club and its dis-The reported piot of the rapyrus Clob and its dis-stinguished guests, inclinding such persons as Gen-eral Francis A. Walker, Colonel Theodore Lyman, Colonel T. W. Higginson and their wives, to insult-Mrs. Lang-ry by leaving the room on her arrival at the annual is used hight reception, to which she was invited, is preposterous. Whether or not Mrs. Lang-try heard some malicious gossip to this effect, and thereupon sent her excuses pleading illness, it cer-tainly has no foundation.

CHICAGO.

MUNICIPAL-THE STAGE-POLITICS.

IBY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.] CHICAGO, Dec. 23 .- Chicago has the Christmas gift of an empty treasury, with creditors pressing upon it and the municipal a thorities at their wite end to know how the demands are to be met. It is not a matter of encouragement to the Mayor that the streets are crowded and the stores thronged with customers. 'The wolf howis just as loudly at the city doors. It has been suggested that high license would supply enough revenue, out the Mayor declares that the liquor-sellers " won't stand it" and is seeking for some means to secure revenue without taxing the 3,000 distressed liquor-sellers who now pay only \$50 a year. Meanwhile the

streets are so fifthy as to be almost impassable. The police force is so small that not a night passes that citizens are not waylaid and robbed on the principal thoroughfares, but there is no money with which to increase the force. Chicago was never in a worse plight, though enjoying the ad-munistration of "the best Mayor she has ever had," to quote Mr. Harrison's own declaration. Outrages upon citizens by the criminal classes have increased to such an extent that the former are now moving to protect themselves. The Lumber Exchange, one of whose members was saudbagged, have raised a large amount of money with which to assist in detecting and punishing highwaymen. It is also proposed to call a mass meeting of citizens to devise ways and means for protection. and still another proposition is made that citizens arm themselves and patrol their neighborhoods. The whole city is aroused by the inefficiency of the

police and the indifference of the Mayor. In all this cloudiness, however, there are occastoual gleams of light. The attacks upon the gumblers still continue, and they are kept up so pertina ciously that these persons are becoming discouraged and seriously talk of removing to New-York. It is not likely, however, that New-York will get " Mike" McDonald, the gambling boss, as he is too well "fixed" with the administration, but it is not improbable that there will be a hegira of the less influential offer.

The city has been surprised by another virtuous act-the suppression of the Sullivan-Elliot glove fight, though it has leaked out to-day that the previous bitter enmity which existed between the two men has been overcome. Elliot is sick and the champion while here visited him and the two men became such stanch friends that from present appearances they will never meet in the ring. After appearing again in New-York Sullivan goes to the Hot Springs, and thence to California with "Jere"

Dunn, his manager. The case of Mrs Scoville, who was adjudged insane some weeks ago, bas been stricken from the docket by agreement, so that the new trul will not be bad. Report says she and her husband have made up and that the trouble between them will not appear again in the courts.

Mr. Miln, the actor, has made himself very much distiked at Rockford, in this State, by a personal altercation with a hotel-veeper over the bill of the company, and a knock-down was only averted by the interference of a third person. Creditors' bills are also pouring in, and the agnostic actor finds the stage a very hard road to travel and may indefinitely postpone his visit to Germany.

TOM'S RIVER, N. J., Dec. 23.—Application will be made at the coming session of the State Legislature for the formation of a new township on Island or Square Beach, to be known as Beach township into two parts, the made for the division of Brick township into two parts, the northern one to be known as Point Piessant township.